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District of Columbia, sa:
Subscribed and sworn to before me this 36th day of November.
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"OH! TAMMANY!"

between elections, but always for Tammany, either its pride in the small successes of "dollar diplomacy" constructively or actually, during elections. And in was commonplace. And this country is never comthat we were mistaken. The World is always for monplace. Tammany whenever Tammany is in danger. In proof of which we reprint this unique assertion from never smug. We are not bourgeois. the World of yesterday: "A great deal of New York's police and vice trouble can be traced directly to the efforts of two excellent and well-meaning men. tanism; the susceptible hearts of children. But we One of them is Theodore Roosevelt, and the other is Charles H. Parkhurst."

No defender of Tammany has ever been moved by his zeal to say anything more brazenly contemptuous of the truth than that.

GOETHALS A GENERAL.

army will appeal to the country-at-large as a promo- the world. tion and a decoration of high fitness. Goethals has out of the ordinary.

one that has been conferred only on four great finish anything that we started. soldiers-Washington, Grant, Sherman, and Sheridan. Goethals has proved himself a great com-diplomacy," is the apotheosis of the commonplace. mander in peace. A generalship for him would say accurately what the colleges tried to express last world. And we chasten our pride in them by wrecksummer by showering him with LL. D.'s.

NOTHING ALARMING ABOUT IT.

The statement of the imperial chancellor of Germany that Germany will back up Austria with its army we keep on moving forward with our hearts set on in the event of war over the remapping of Turkey in what Roosevelt called, in his last speech, "the golden Europe makes plain what was well known before. It shows again how very treacherous is the ground biggest thing we have to guard. upon which Europe is now standing.

But of equal if not greater importance is the But of equal if not greater importance is the declaration that Germany and England are working whole-heartedly and with mutual trust to maintain but get a little puzzled over the street system of the smooth should be sometimes and children out of the street.

Cook's tourists who know their way about Keokuk the Y. M. C. A., from D. A. Davis, who is now association secretary in the Level of a police regulation to keep pedestrivation and children out of the street. peace. As long as these two countries stand together Latin Quarter. their influence makes strongly for an amicable settlement of difference...

were taken over by Aust in-Hungary. Then there hear then are the things that we will fight for. was a rattling of the sword that set the teeth of all Europe to gnashing. It is not at all the same thing place things. states, that his country's alliance with Austria will compel it, in certain contingencies, to draw the sword in its ally's behalf. This is not a hectoring, bullying and sometimes they may have lacked justification; declared there were a number of parades and public demonstrations, but they were never commonplace; and "dollar diplomacy" is always commonplace when it isn't just cheap. to state, as Chancellor vor. Bethmann-Hollweg now attitude, but a proper announcement at a proper time of what Germany's international obligations bind her to do.

British poems, they are at least equal to any similar by the North American Review in October, 1909, the collection of verse from Italy, Germany, or Spain. following method of revision was suggested: And a statement of that kind from such an authority is interesting. The sterile field of our recent literature in poetry, and fiction, and drama of the higher sort has been explained on the theory that we are a young people, with our thought bent upon material development. But that argument does not apply to the other countries instanced by Prof. Matthews, and, if his reasoning is sound, we must look to some other cause for the lack of any heirs in art to Nathaniel Hawthorne and Poe and Whitman and Longfellow.

However, the important thing is that a great and an impressive period in our history is confronting us, is possible in a democracy." But neither our Conand it threatens to pass away without the record that gressional system nor the responsible, parliamentary only fine poetry and inspired fiction could make of it. We have in mind as an example of what could be is adaptable to the progressive elimination of tariff done on such a theme Kipling's strong song, "The duties described in the North American Review Sons of Martha.

THE CHURCHES JOIN THE LINE.

what fine and unswerving support came from the churches, the clergy, and the religious leaders for and an exit. the Progressive party organization. Like the social workers, who are giving their lives for bettering conditions of others, they gave the movement their aid from first to last. They recognized its vital they refuse women the right to vote. In Colorado principle as one which must be in force in our the women have equal suffrage with men, and when national life if the country is to be a good one for women were given the right to vote in Colorado they

with their own organization. They are showing their interests of children are so well cared for as in that ability to deal with the concrete, human problems of Western Commonwealth, and the work that Judge the day in the work they map out.

in America, representing thirty-two denominations, women voters.

which holds its first convention next week, has outlined a social creed that restates the heart of the Progressive platform. Its features are:

The church must stand:
For the protection of the family by the single standard of purity, regulation of marriage and proper

For fullest development of the child by education and For the abatement and prevention of poverty,

For the conservation of health. For safeguarding the right of all men to an opportunity for self-maintenance and for protection of workers from the hardship of enforced unemployment, For old age provision, abolition of child labor, living wage, and reduction of hours of labor.

The possibilities of accomplishment if the 17,000,000 members of the churches to be represented at this council should throw their united effort back of this program and get their men into it are enormous. The effort would fit perfectly with the Progressive program to secure legislation for the people. Hundreds of thousands would be identified with both organizations and strengthen the harmony of action.

"DOLLAR DIPLOMACY."

There was something disappointing in the Mes-This newspaper said some days ago that the sage to Congress. It sounded as dull iron sounds New York World is always against Tammany, to a mall. The spirit of it was not unexpected, but

We are not a "middle class" people. We are

We may have the vices of a cavalier; the courage of aristocracies; the uncompromising virtue of puriare never commonplace. We have no use for the pusillanimities of "dollar diplomacy."

How could we, and still believe, as we do, in the spirit of the Declaration of Independence.

We never learn humility from disaster. Once when everything we had fought for seemed to be crumbling about us, we sent our men and boys into The proposal to make Col. George W. Goethals battle with the "Battle Hymn of the Republic" a full general on the active list of the United States as our prayer. And that is the most terrible song in

In many ways we are crude. Our passions are done the largest constructive work for the nation in violent. Our crimes are often tragedies. Our cities a century, and the engineering work and organiza- have had to fight crooks and grafters at every turn. tion of the Canal Zone deserve a recognition entirely In a hundred years we have trekked across a continent. We have blazed the trail with villages and Such a rank would give him an equality with that of George Dewey in the navy. Up to this time it is and farms. And we have not yet stopped to quite CONSTANTINOPLE

But we are never commonplace, and "dollar We have the finest and swiftest trains in the

ing more than any other country. We do some things that are splendid. We do a few things that are squalid. We do many things that shame us into anger at our own depravity. But Y. M. C. A. Worker in Sul-

We have our diplomats, of course. We have them because they are useful to take care of the Cook's tourists who know their way about Keokuk the Y. M. C. A., from D. A. Davis, who will find its way through the referation

hopes of men," and we have an idea that it is the

Only, when it comes to the real thing in diplomacy, the inquiring stranger must mingle with the Germany's present attitude is widely different from what it was when Bosnia and Herzegovina old town on the Fourth, and the things that he will quakes which added their share to the

And none of our fights have been about common-

Sometimes those fights may have been romantic part:

"For a few days before the war was Yet in this age of rapid transit we read "For a few days before the war was Yet in this age of rapid transit we read the second of the sec

"THE DREAM AND THE BUSINESS."

If the special session of Congress which the THE DECADENCE OF AMERICAN POETRY

Brander Matthews, in reviewing a new anthology of Nineteenth Century American verse, published recently under the editorship of a professor emeritus of Yale, observes that if the poems selected cannot compare with those in a contemporary anthology of Direction of Yale, observes that if the poems selected cannot compare with those in a contemporary anthology of Direction of the period o

"It must in some conservative way be altered from decade to decade, if possible from year to year, until we shall have put all custom leg-islation upon a safe, reasonable and permanent footing. A process of alteration, steadily and courageously persisted in will not disturb the business or embarrass the industries of the country, even if tariff act follows tariff act from session to session, if it be founded on a definite principle by which the progress may be forecast and made ready for. Such a principle must be

And we do not suggest that such a principle cannot be found. Somebody has said that "anything method of which the President-elect thinks so highly article, and we suspect that this view, like some others expressed by Mr. Wilson when he was still associated with Princeton, has been revised. It The campaign of 1912 revealed over and over is not the least of the charms of the philosophical "open mind" that it is provided with both an entrance

CHILD LABOR AND VOTES FOR WOMEN

They have child labor in New York State and all to live in and to offer equal opportunity to all. employed that right first in the interest of their Now they are aiming to carry forward the work children. There is no State in the Union where the Lindsey has done through the juvenile court would The Federal Council of the Churches of Christ have been impossible without the political support of

STORMY MARCH



IS CITY OF WOE SINCE WAR BEGAN

tan's Country Writes Vividly of Hardships.

general desolation of the city not many months ago. Mr. Davis' letter is probably one of the first received in the United States from Constantinople after war was declared. He says, in

Big Fires Wreak Havoc. "To the political ilis which have be fallen Turkey in the last few months has been added accident. In the last year and a half two great conflagrations have devastated great sections of the capital. The first burned 18,000 dwellings and shops in Stamboul; and

poor-Will"...........Van Alstyn Selection-"The Isle o' Dreams" Olcott Characteristic Intermezzo-"Afri-

can breamland".....Atwater Medley of Popular Bongs-"Remick's Hits of 1912".....Lampe Finale-"On the Speedway" Vergie Simper

"The Star-Spangled Banner."

In the Mail Bag

Readers of The Times are invited to use this department as their own-to write freely and frankly with the assurance that no letter not objectionable in language will be denied publication. Letters must not, however, exceed 250 words in length, and must be written only on one side of the paper. Letters must bear the names and addresses of the writers as evidence of good faith, but the names will not be made public without the consent of the contributors. Address MAIL BAG EDITOR OF THE TIMES.

Predicts That We Will Face a Food

the High Prices of Necessities.

to the Editor of THE TIMES: The trusts are killing many thousands

year, and no man behind prison hars is

more guilty of murder than they. Our

iand and country, according to reports,

were never more blessed with food than

now; yet the cost of all the necessaries

of life was never so high as now. The more millions of dollars these millions

aires pile up the more they seek to get. And how do they get it? Simply by

mething can't be done too soon-to

J. C. CUNNINGHAM.

prevent a food revolutin in this country

Army and Navy

Major JOHN H. RICE, Ordnance De-partment, from office of the chief of ordnance, to San Antonio Arsenal, San Antonio, Tex., and assume com-

nance Department.

Firm Lieutenant LESLEY J. McNAIR,
Fourth Field Artillery, detailed for
duty as statistical officer at the
School of Fire for Field Artillery,
Fort Sill, Okla.

of that arsenal, relieving CHARLES H. CLARK, Ord-

Keep Out of the Street" the Refrain of a Petition for Laws to Cover the Rights of Pedestrians.

the time of the celebration of the Knights of Columbus.

Hoping that the superintendent of the Union Station takes the hint, and has "Old Glory" floating from the said poles in the future, and if not always, especially on national holidays, I am.

JOHN J. O'FLAHERTY. ligious work in this city.

Famine, caused by the "cost of living" jumping up with the first rattle of musketry, has stricken the Turkish capital, and he tells of fires and earthperson on foot as well as the driver of the team or motor vehicle. The former

Horse Cars Quit.

"Naturally there are many inconveniences. The only traction service we have consists of horse cars, and now we do not have even these, because the government has taken all the horses.

"The price of many necessaries, such as meats, sugar, cereals, petroleum, etc., have risen and are still going up. Imagine paying 35 cents a pound for table sait: Fortunately, the government controls the price of bread, and

Wants Pension Claims of Aged Soldiers Considered First.

To the Editor of THE TIME Under the act of May 11, 1912, pension for veterans are based both on length of service and on age. Thus a soldier who has served two years and six months and is seventy years old receives \$24 per month and when he be-

Wants Flags on the Union Station

Poles. To the Editor of THE TIMES: I noticed in The Times of the 18th in stant, a piece of news in regard to the tiree flag poles in front of the Union

Station. The reason they were put there, it is true, was to put flags upon; but the main part of the puzzle is, where are the flags? they were put there, flags were

CAR SHORTAGE IS TO BE STOPPED BY PROUTY BILL

Iowan Has Plan to Penalize Roads Whose Stock Is Not Quickly Unloaded.

Congressman Prouty of Iowa intro-duced a bill in the House today to re-lieve the serious situation caused by the widespread shortage of cars. Judge Prouty says that present conditions are intolerable, and that the shortage is Revolution if the Trusts Continue most serious in the coal, lumber, and

grain trade.

The gist of the bill is that railroad companies shall require consignees to unload their freight in five days, de-murrage or no demurrage, and that if the railroad company does not enforce this right, it shall be liable in damages to the person ordering cars and no receiving them.

seacoast cities are tied up, loaded with coal, the consignee preferring to pay demurrage and use their for warehouse purposes rather than unload and store the shipments. In the lumber and groin trade are like situations. starving out the poor and helpless men, women, and children of this country. Excuses Are Made.

Describing the general shortage of cars, Judge Prouty said:

"The railroad people say that the the railroads not having sufficient rolling stock, but from the use to which

ARMY.

The following changes in the assignments of officers of Field Artillery are ordered:

Captain JOHN E. STEPHENS, now attached to the Second Field Artillery assigned to that regiment.

First Lieutenant THOMAS D. OSBORNE, assigned to the Fifth Field Artillery.

First Lieutenant GEORGE W. EWELL, Third Infantry, detailed as professor of military science and tactics at the Oklahoman Agricultural College, Stillwater, Okla.

Second Lieutenant CHARLES D. ROGERS. Eleventh Cavairy, detailed as professor of military science and tactics at the Oklahoman Agricultural College, Stillwater, Okla.

Second Lieutenant CHARLES D. ROGERS. Eleventh Cavairy, detailed as professor of military science and tactics at Shattuck School, Faribault, Minn.

Major JOHN H. RICE, Ordnance Department, from office of the chief

Cars As Warehouses.

"The shipper has found that it is cheaper to use cars for warehouses than it is to build warehouses. It is said there are now standing on the tracks a New Orleans 6,000 box cars that have

been so held from ten to thirty days, while the business of the whole country

PENROSE IS NOW PENSION ADVOCATE FOR U.S. EMPLOYES

Believes Government Should Pay and Assessment Plan Abandoned.

Senator Penrose, of Pennsylvania, has ecome an advocate of pensions for old semployes in the Government service. Senator Penrose has come to the conclusion that the Government should pay the pensions and that the assessment plan should not be attempted.

plan should not be attempted.
He said:
"I have been giving this subject considerable study and the result of that study is that I find I have been wrong. I was not inclined to favor old age pensions, and I there were to be any I thought the assessment plan was best. "I find, however, that all the big corporations of the country are pensioning their old and faithful employes: that they tried and abandoned the assessment plan, and are now providing the fund themselves out of which these pensions are to be paid.
"In the big corporations I find this pays, and if they are thus generous this Government can afford to do likewise."

Talk on Picking Judges. Prof. George C. Cohen, of the Univer-sity of Indiana, will read a paper on the selection of judges for the permanthe selection of judges for the perman-ent Court of Arbitral Justice, at The Hague before the Collegiate Club next Sunday evening. The club meets at 1230 Eleventh street northwest, and the public is invited to attend.

What's On the Program In Washington Today

The following Masonic organizations will meet tonight; Lodges-Washing-ton Centennial, No. 14, election; Osi-ris, No. 26, election; King Solomon, No. 31, election. Royal Arch Chap-ters-Columbia, No. 1, R. A.: Brightwood, No. 9, business. Knights Temp-lar-Potomac Commandery, No. 3, Eastern Star-Areme Chapter, No. 10. The following I. O. O. F. organizations will meet tonight; Lodges-Eastern, will meet tonight; Lodges-Eastern, No. 7; Harmony, No. 9, and Federal City, No. 20, degrees; Friendship, No. 12, business. Rebekah Degree-Martha Washington Lodge, No. 3, business. The following K. of P. organizations will meet tonight; Lodges-Mt. Vernon, No. 5; Union, No. 22, grand visitation. Pythian Sisters-Friendship, No. 9, business. Meeting of White Eagle Council, No. 4, I. O. R. M., Fifth and G streets northwest, tonight.

Meeting of Harmony Castle, No. 10. Golden Eagle, tonight.
Meeting of Congressional Circle, No. 58, P. H. C., degrees, tonight.
Initial meeting of the Spanish-American Atheneum, auditorium, National Museum, Tenth and B streets northwest, 8:30 p. m.
Meeting of the board of directors of the Washington Chamber of Commerce, 8 p. m.
Sermon by the Rev. R. W. Hogue, rec-

Washington Chamber of Commerce, 8 p. m.
Sermon by the Rev. R. W. Hogue, rector of the Ascension Church, Baltimore, mid-day Adventist service, Church of the Epiphany, 12:30 p. m.
Orchestral concert by the United States Soldiers' Home Band, Stanley Hall, 3:30 p. m.
Dinner of the navy vard draftsmen, the Queen Cafe, Seventh and G streets northwest, tonight.
Regular monthly meeting of the Association of Oldest Inhabitants of the District, Old Union engine house, Nineteenth and H streets northwest, 7:30 p. m.
Christmas sale of the Ladies' Benefit Boclety of the First Presbyterian Church, parlors of the New Ebblit, 2 to 10 p. m.
Lecture by Miss Clara W. Herbert of the children's department, the Public Library.

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Address by the Rev. Charles Wood on
"The Sunday School Teacher and His
Bible," the First Presbyterian Church,
7:30 p. m.

Bagaar and dinner by the Ladles' Ald
Society of the Ingram Memorial
Church, 5 to 7:30 p. m.

Annual election of the Police Association of the District.

Meeting of the District of Columbia
Board of Casualty Underwriters.

Distribution of Garments by the District of Columbia branch of the
Needlework Guild of America, All
Souls Unitarian Church.

Lecture on "The Relief of Peking in
1909," by Gen. A. S. Daggett, U. S. A.,
at the Terminal R. R. Y. M. C. A.,
8 p. m.

Annual meeting of the Yale Alumni As-

8 p. m.
Annual meeting of the Yale Alumni Association of Washington, directors' room, the Union Trust Company, 4:45 p. m.
Annual meeting of the National Rivers and Harbors Congress, the New Willard.

Amusements. National—Maude Adams in "Peter Pan," 2:15 and 8:15 p. m. Belasco—Sothern and Marlowe in "Romeo and Juliet," 8 p. m. Columbia—Robert Loraine in "Man and Superman," 8:15 p. m. Chase's-Polite vaudeville, 2:15 and 8:15 p. m. Poli's-Vaudeville. Academy-"A Lucky Hoodoo," 8:15 p. m, Casino-Vaudeville.

Cosmos-Vaudeville. .yceum-"Lady Buccaneers," 2:15 and 8:15 p. m. Gayety-"Golden Crooks," 2:15 and 8:15

Here's a Book

First Lieutenant LEELEY J. McNAIR, Pourth Field Artillery, detailed for duty as statistical officer at the School of Fire for Field Artillery, Fort Sill, Okla.

NAVY.

Lieutenant R. M. GRISWOLD, decayed by lack of cars to move pressing traffic. is intolerable. It is clearly and the model of the country and the co